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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: J. Grant, II
TOMOO IIZUMI ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2626
Application No.: 09/471,192)
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Filed: December 23, 1999)
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,)
: AND STORAGE MEDIUM) July 28, 2004

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows. The claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 2. The Remarks begin at page 8.

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